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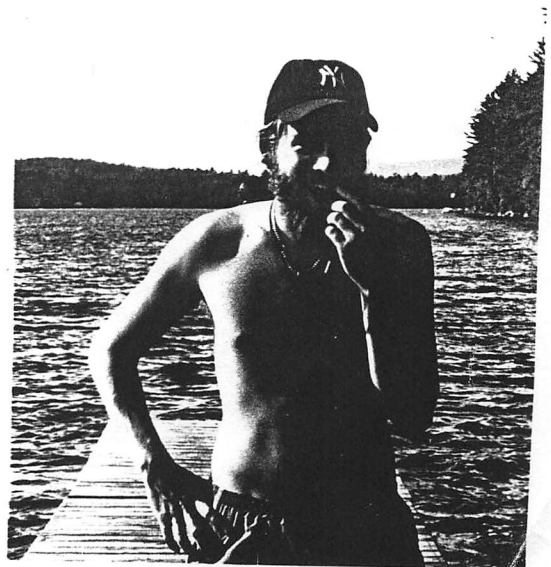
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Boys leave Birch Rock Camp better people, more responsible, and more appreciative for what is real. The strength of the camp rests in the strength of the people. When the legends of Birch Rock are told, one man is named time and time again. Josh Pincus. Josh has changed the lives of many people. His blend of humor and sincerity create a perfect example of what Birch Rock stands for.

We dedicate the 2002 Biroca Blast to Josh Pincus for his lifelong dedication to the rock and changing the lives of young men.

-The Birch Rock Community



A View From The Top

The summer of 2002 was great for many reasons. Some may say the weather was the key; others argue that the program was the best ever; still others may cite the staff. I think it was a combination of all these and much much more.

One of the most important things in creating a solid summer is the staff involved. This summer we had an excellent group of staff united together with one goal, to make sure the campers learn through good clean fun. The staff was a terrific team, supporting each other when they needed to and teaching team work and unity through "Lead by example". I would like to thank the staff this summer for all their hard-work and dedication.

However, the staff was not the only group of people at the Rock. This summer's camper group was sensational. These boys adjusted very quickly to the program and made it easy for the staff to show them a good time and teach them many great skills. The boys had a unique ability to make a three and a half week session go by like it was only one week. By the time the mid-season point came we were all amazed at how quickly it all went by. Thank you, campers for making it a great summer for all of us.

Finally, I just want to recognize the administrative team. David Jenkins, Thomas Joyce, Joshua Pincus, and Lenza Latendresse made the summer much easier for all of us by staying organized and making sure we were all where we needed to be. These four gentlemen were a great help to me all summer, and I'm not sure I could have pulled off such a terrific season without their help. Thanks, A-Team! You guys are the best!

Once again, thanks to you all, and I hope you have a terrific off-season.

See you next summer,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Mattson".

Michael Mattson, Camp Director

Hilton A First Session

This year in Hilton A the counselor was Colin Penley and the CIT was Ben Young. The campers were Chris Rios, Kyle Case, Thomas Carson, and Jared Fliesher. Kyle's favorite activities were kayaking, campcraft and baseball. Tom's favorite was kayaking. Jared's was lacrosse and campcraft. Chris' favorite activities were lacrosse and campcraft. Every night Colin would tell us a story about Cletus when they turned into gilfs. Every second rest we play palace and during first rest we would read Scooby Doo, Harry Potter, Star Trek and U.S. Skateboarding. Tom got his Knife Rights and Kyle got his soccer badge. Chris got his Jr. Basketball and Jared got his Library badge. Everyone in the cabin loves Randy's food and evening activity was so much fun for us.



Escape - to where
the world is still fun.

Hilton A's cabin report (2nd session)

Javier's favorite activities are campcraft and tennis. He is from the Dominican Republic. He is 8 years old.

Roger's favorite activities are baseball and Archery. He is from the Dominican Republic. He is 8 years old.

Eli's favorite activities are campcraft and Archery. He is from Arzonía and he is a day camper. He is also 8 years old.

Tom's favorite activities are basketball and campcraft. He is 10 years old and he is from Bridgton, ME.

Matt's favorite activities are art, kayaking, and basketball. He is 7 years old and he is also from Bridgton, ME.

We like to do games during 2nd rest period. Sometimes we go to different cabins.

During 1st rest period, we read, write, and sometimes we go sleep or we just do nothing.

We are reading books such as Harry Potter 3, Lord of the rings, the biggest riddle book in the world and Anttolite cronicles.

The counselor is Colin Penley and the CIT, Sam Hewett.

Risky Business

Hard to say. Easy to use.

Hilton B 1st session

The names of the people in our cabin are Trevor Dakers, Andrew(Cheezer) Chase, Jake Cohen, Jack Brink, Andy Churchill, and David Olshan. Andy likes to kayak , sail, and swim. David likes to arch, go canoeing, and loves to go to campcraft. Jake likes to play basketball, sail, and play cross camp capture the flag and Jack likes sailing, boating, and swimming. Our cabin enjoys having fun and helping out other people. Andy likes to listen to rap music and jazz, Jack likes to listen to punk rock and rap. David likes to listen to jazz and rap. Jake likes rock.



Hilton B

2nd Session

The second session of 2002 rocked! In our cabin there were 6 people. There was Trevor Dakers, our counselor. Andrew "the Cheeser" Chase was our CIT, and the campers were Robert David (RD) Weeks, Ben Howard, David Kane, and Harry Netzer. Harry's favorite activity was canoeing, Ben's was Campcraft along with Kayaking, David's favorite activity was Campcraft, and RDs favorites included Volleyball, Tennis, and Soccer. When Trevor was not chillin with us cool guys he was teaching Boating, and in Cheeser's spare time he could be found teaching lacrosse. All the people in our cabin knew that this second session in Hilton B was great!



Cabin 1 1st Session

Tom:

This year at Birch Rock Tom got the nickname frenchy. Being the 2nd oldest in the cabin Tom takes the responsibility of being a good member in Bee's hive.

Cole:

Cole is an equal community member in Cabin one. Cole had both a funny side and a serious side. Personally, I think Cole can do anything once he puts his mind to it. Plus he's smart.

SMALL BOAT TAPERED SPINNAKER POLES

John:

John is easily the smartest community member. He takes privileges better than the other three members do in his cabin.

Bowen:

Bowen is a smart boy. He helps out around the cabin. (Especially with sweeping). He is also a great soccer player and made the BRC soccer team.

-John Finegan

How To Win The West

Cabin 1 2nd Session

This second session was really fun we loved it. Our four campers were Robert Donahue, Chris Cogswell, Ben Brewster, and Adam Moyer. Robert likes to play soccer a lot. He's from Illinois. Chris likes soccer and Campcraft. He is from Barrington, Illinois. Ben Brewster likes basketball and baseball up on the field. He's from Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Adam likes tennis and Campcraft. He's from Cape Elizabeth, Maine if you can't tell from all the Cape Elizabeth clothing he wears everyday. We love cleaning up our cabin and we win sometimes too. This year was great and we all hope to come back next year for another great summer.



MR.

FISHERMAN

GUY

Hornet's Nest 1st Session

Deep within the woods of East Waterford lay the finest summer camp for young men, Birch Rock Camp. Finest camp, yes, refined boys...umm...boys....refined? Well, these boys have manners and they know how to make a bed, but refined is not the word I would use to describe the boys of Hornet's Nest, especially when one of their favorite saying is "me caveman. Me know how" The cabin 2 boys are full of energy, enthusiasm, imagination, and competitiveness.

Sam Cleaves is from South Portland, ME and he likes to play soccer and baseball. He is the 3rd generation of his family to attend BRC.

Ed Cohen is from Ridgewood, NJ and likes campcraft and kayaking. This is Ed's 1st year at BRC.

Willy Armstrong is from Vineland, NJ and likes to do most any activity. This is also Willy's 1st year at the Rock.

Pat Bowden is from Cumberland, ME and likes boating and swimming. This is Pat's 4th summer at BRC.

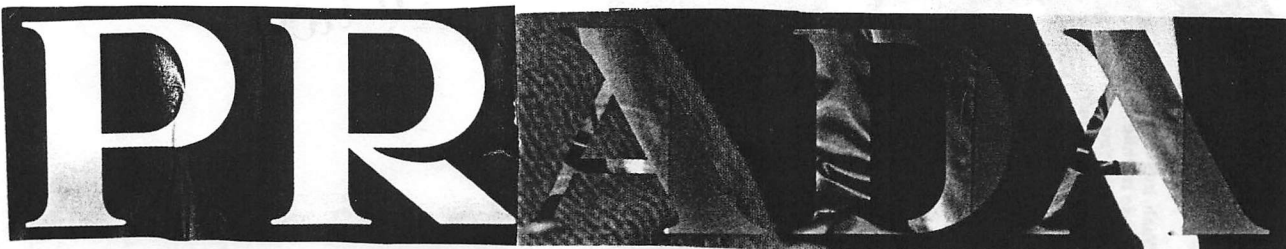
Owen Wolfertz heads up the motley crew of cabin 2. He is also from Cumberland, ME. Owen spends his time on the waterfront teaching swimming, kayaking and also art.

With everyone's energy flowing, Hornet's Nest had been an awesome cabin this session.



Cabin 2 2nd Session

This year in the Hornet's Nest we had a great time. We had five people in our cabin. Our counselor's name is Owen Wolfertz. He teaches swimming and kayaking. Charlie Silverstein was coming for his first year from Chicago. His favorite activities are sailing and kayaking. Michael Harper from the Dominican Republic likes campcraft, sailing, and lacrosse. Owen Knights from Hopewell, NJ returning for his second summer enjoys sailing and lacrosse. Also returning for his second summer is Grant Carlson who lives in Walnut Creek, California. We all had a great summer and look forward to next summer.



Cabin 3 1st Session

This cabin had an excellent session this year. The cabin counselor was Mike Wilson who teaches Mountain Biking. One of the campers is Nate Mitchell from Readfield, ME. He is 10 going on 11 and his favorite things to do are campcraft and archery. Pierce Madden of St. Petersburg, FL likes to play Archery and play volleyball. Tom Winger A.K.A Harrypotter, is from Falmouth, ME. He likes Archery and boating. Ben Weisman, from Cumberland, ME is a fan of kayaking and camp craft. We all had a great time!

Cabin 3 2nd Session

Cabin 3 quartz is a very good cabin, we have 4 people as campers here. 1st we have Julio Heinsen. His favorite activities are sailing, baseball, lacrosse, and campcraft. He is from Dominican Republic and likes his first experience at BRC. He is all around good guy. 2nd we have Henry Schmid, his favorite activities are baseball, sailing, and campcraft. He is from Cumberland, ME and this is his second year at BRC. Then there is Charlie Governali and his favorite activities are campcraft, sailing, kayaking, and soccer. He lives in Cape Elizabeth, ME. This is his first year at BRC. Last, there is Anderson Flach. He likes to do sailing, tennis, and kayaking. This is his 3rd year at BRC. Our counselor is Mike "The singer" Wilson returns for his 3rd summer here at BRC. He teaches mountain biking and canoeing. He is a senior at Northfield Mount Herman High School in Groton, MA. All of us had a fun time and hope to return next year at BRC.

-Anderson Flach



"Yeah, but can
you do it while
humming 'You
Light Up My Life.'"

And At Rest.

MY CAR GETS 37
SONGS
PER GALLON.

Cabin 4 1st Session

LIVE



WIRE!

In Cabin 4 (Tourmaline), there were these people: Nick Rios from Miami, FL. Sether Hanson from Cape Elizabeth, ME. Jack Coster from Falmouth, ME and Ryan Cox from Holden, ME. Jack was an extensive reader and writer who liked to make people laugh, while Sether was the card shark of the bunch and loves sports. We all loved to correct Nick when he said, "axed", instead of "asked." He loved to laugh at people's jokes. Ryan was the cabin scapegoat. Our favorite thing to accuse him of was the mysterious nocturnal flatulence problem, which he would always deny. Our counselor, Josh Pincus, always had time to Joke with us. He liked to listen to music that the whole cabin hated. We all agreed that our C.I.T. Tom Crowley was pretty cool. He would let us listen to funny music and would always spend lots of time sewing his famous monkey suit. He would tell us we sleep-talked while we all agreed it was he. All together, we had a fabulous summer.

Our cabin counselor is Josh Pincus and our C. I. T. is Tom Crowley. The campers are Chelton Martin, Alex Sebelen, Chris Norton, and Jeremy Kazanjian-Amory. Chelton Martin's favorite activities were campcraft and library. Alex on the other hand enjoyed kayaking and Chris liked to do art and campcraft. Jeremy liked to do archery up on the field. Cabin 4 had a blast this year and we all hope to be back next year.

Cabin 4 2nd Session

Cabin 5 1st Session

So far this year in cabin 5 it has been a blast! We all really enjoy each other and are intrigued in everyone's story. Plus we are all from different communities, so to be in this cabin with the diversity we all learned to appreciate other types of cultures in America. Joe Cohen's favorite activity has been canoeing. Sam Deeran's favorite activity has also been canoeing. Ryan McElroen's favorite enjoys trying all the activities in camp and Mike Koniare's enjoys all the field activities here at BRC. Erik Joelsson our amazing, fun, responsible counselor who teaches soccer here at BRC and has been great so far. Sam Hewett has been energetic and a responsible C. I. T. and will be a good counselor. Cabin 5 is about camp morals and definitely having fun. The ending of the year will be amazing I can tell.

"Cabin 5 and its cabin mates are like a cake. The layers are very different, but when put together taste like a dream. Then the counselor is like the candle, without him the cake wouldn't be the same. Then Sam Hewett is like the flame he keeps us going."

"Staying Alive, Cabin 5"

-Sam Deeran

shoes



Cabin 5 2nd Session

This summer in Cabin 5 we had four campers. They were Sam Deeran, Tiger Collins, Ryan McElron, and Joe Cohen. Ryan enjoys doing all the activities. Sam liked archery a lot and got a lot of badges. Tiger enjoyed the waterfront a great deal. Joe enjoyed campcraft a lot. Our counselor was Erik and this session our CIT was Ben Young. They are both very cool guys. We hope to grow up to be just like them. We know we will. Watch out staff.

Cabin 6 1st Session

The people in our cabin are Coleman Davis, Chris Mcelroen, Nick Martin, and Peter Neilson. The counselor is Carl Finnson. The CIT in our cabin is David O' Toole. Coleman's favorite movie is Blue Streak, Chris's favorite movie is Rush Hour 2, Nick's favorite is U571, Peter's favorite is Lord of the Rings, David's favorite is Black Hawk Down, and Carl's is The Last of the Mohegans.

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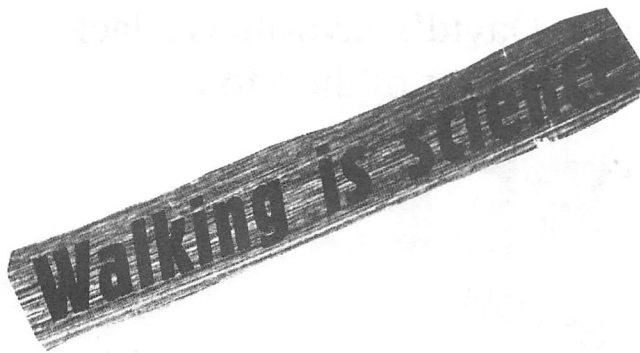
Cabin 6 2nd Session

This 3 and a half week session the campers in our cabin are Silas Paul from Little Compton, Rhode Island. His favorite activities are boating, baseball and kayaking. We also had Peter Neilson from North Andover, Mass, whose favorite activities were campcraft, kayaking and lacrosse. Chris Mcelron from Yonkers, New York enjoyed campcraft sailing and kayaking. Drew Cash is from New Gloucester Maine. His favorite activities were archery, kayaking, and tennis. Our counselor was Carl Finnson from Malmon, Sweden. Our cabin had a lot of fun.

Ultimate

Cabin 7 1st session

The first session Cabin 7 consisted of 4 sensational young men. Anthon Hails is from South Paris from ME and favors the activities of soccer, archery, and lacrosse. Our next camper is Wyatt Cartwright from Hodden ME. His favorite activities were baseball and swimming. Andrew Bowden is from Cumberland ME and enjoys sailing and canoeing. The final camper is Sean O'Toole coming from Hampstead, NH. He also enjoys sailing and canoeing. This year Cabin 7 is lead by "The Weaz ". The Weaz was definitely the best counselor in camp. We had a great session here at BRC.



Cabin 7 2nd session

During the second session in Cabin 7 we had four great campers. The names of the campers are Alex Mcfarlane, Cole Davis, Andrew Bowden, and Sean O'Toole. Cole's favorite activities were campcraft and volleyball. Andrew's favorite activities were archery, sailing, and campcraft. Alex enjoys playing baseball and soccer. Our cabin represents the Eastern USA. With Andrew hailing from Cumberland Maine. Alex comes from Cape Elizabeth. Sean is from New Hampshire. Cole comes from Florida. Our counselour is the Weaz from Philadelphia. We had a blast this session!

TWO MINUTES TO
HAPPINESS

QUOTE POETRY.

Cabin 8 cabin report 1st session

Cabin 8 includes 4 campers, 1 CIT, and 1 counselor. The campers are: Alasdair Thornton, Aidan Bozzelli, Scott Lauren, and Marc Wrinkler. Alasdair is from Darien, Conn. He is spending his fifth summer here at the Rock. Alasdair is looking forward to having fun playing baseball and lacrosse. Marc is from Winchester Mass. This is Marc's third summer here at Birch Rock. Having fun is Marc's main goal. The counselor of cabin eight is Matt Downs. He is from Bridgton, Maine. Matt is a sophomore at University of Maine Presque Isle where he is majoring in Physical education and playing hockey. This is the first of hopefully many summers Matt is going to spend at Birch Rock. Aidan is from Arlington, Virginia. This is Aidan's 5th year at the Rock. Aidan wants to have fun while sailing and getting lots of badges. Scott is from Acton, Mass. This is Scott's second summer at Birch Rock. Scott looks forward to having fun earning his junior Campcraft badge. The CIT is Brandon LeBaron. Brandon is from Clinton, New Jersey. This is Brandon's third year. Brandon looks forward to just being in camp and everything about Birch Rock.

IT'S LIKE A BOOK CLUB.

**mad
HOUSE**

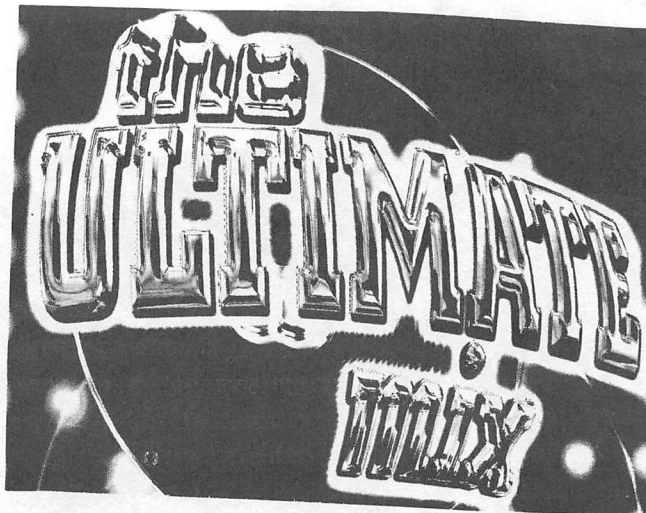
Cabin 8 Cabin Report 2nd session

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This year in cabin 8 things have gone pretty well. The counselors were fine. They were: Matt Downs, lacrosse/ tennis extraordinaire, and Brandon LeBaron, an all around cool CIT. We've had our ups and downs, but for the most part, we had a blast. We did OK in inspection. Us campers in Cabin 8 have gotten along fine.

First, there's Aidan Bozzelli, Martian attracter, artist, RPG player, and hip guy. Next we have Patrick Huycke, the Siamese twin of Aidan. He likes pretty much the same things. Third, there's Andrew Koines, a tennis player, D&D player and sorts of other cool things. Last there's Chuckarooni (Charles Netzer), an arching, baseball/volleyball/ D&D playing book reading, all around cool guy/nut. We had a completely awesome year, and are looking foreword to the next!

THE PHANTOM MENACE?



Eagles Nest

2nd Session

"I WAS A 99 LB. BARBARIAN"

This session in Eagle's Nest was great. We had such characters as Joe Rood, Ben Schreiber, Nick Musciano, Andrew Clemence, Henry Rounds, Scott Loren, Ramsay Kamal, and Alasdair Thornton. The notorius Phillip Kindelbacher was our CIT and DJ Lenza as our cabin counselor. As a cabin our favorite activities were Archery, Baseball, Basketball, Campcraft, Sailing, Lacrosse, and Mountain Biking. We all enjoyed instructional swim after 1st period since the water was so refreshing. We also had a blast at campfire and other evening activities. It was a good session, and it flew by. We are all sad that we have to wait a year to be back, and a good time was had by all!

plenty of heavy metal.

AN EAGLE'S
ENVIRONMENT.

Buzzard's Roost

1st Session

This year in Buzzard's Roost our cabin consisted of a string collection of Birch Rock's finest 13 and 14 year olds. Barry Kerzner enjoyed kayaking and boating. Ted Cunningham was a mountain biking fiend and recently swam his Duck, one of the long distance swims. Austin Cox was all over the tennis and canoeing scene. Dan Letovsky could frequently be found at tennis, kayaking, and archery. Ryan McGroarty had lacrosse and volleyball. Ian Egbert thoroughly enjoyed lacross and archery. With this finely tuned group, we moved ahead of other cabins to excel in inspection and the daily quest for super camper. We all had a great year and enjoyed this very special place.

20 THINGS
YOU DIDN'T
KNOW

A FISH STORY.

Fire it up!

BUZZARD'S ROOST 2nd SESSION CABIN REPORT

Well this year we sure had an interesting cabin. It had its many ups and downs. Our cabin consists of Sebby Weeks, Nat Hewett, Brad Carter, JD Moyer, Will Kroner, Will Feurmann, and Chris Ortengren. Our counselors were Marco Jarc from Slovenia, and Ziggy Nesher. Also we had one CIT named Keith Arnold. Marco taught basketball and soccer while Ziggy taught swimming and Keith watched the library during 2nd rest. Sebby's favorite activities were sailing, canoeing, and tennis. Nat's were very similar to Sebby's. He enjoyed sailing and tennis. Brad liked archery and riflery. JP liked baseball and tennis. Will Kroner liked archery along with Willie Feurmann. Chris liked riflery and lacrosse. Though we often fought, we did have many enjoyable rest periods spent playing Uno and other enjoyable games among our selves. All in all we had an awesome summer and hope to come back for many more.



Owls Perch 1st Session

Owl's Perch was a great cabin. We did very well in inspection and we were very calm. Nate Judge was always willing to help the other fellow. He likes all field activities. Matt Clifford was the master at making a great bed. He liked kayaking and sailing. Artem Kutikov liked water-sports and tennis. He is going on the MWA. Jake Huston likes Lacrosse and canoeing and tennis. Jordan Merchant was a biking maniac and great at soccer. Owls was an awesome and diverse cabin.

where hospitality is an art

FASHION

Owls perch 2nd Session

Owl's Perch second session is a motley crew of eight campers and one counselor. Our leader, Doug Miller, teaches kayaking and canoeing, both of which he enjoys immensely. The campers are Jake Huston, Nate Judge and Chris Neilson, Nick Gregoire, Thibault De Fonscolombe, William Rounds, Matt Clifford. Jake and Chris enjoy mountain biking which they do nearly everyday. Thibault and William, both from France, like to play tennis a lot. Eli likes Archery and Kayaking. Nate is a field activity man, pure and simple. Nick fishes too much hence his nickname, Trout. Matt is the Perches' sailing guru. We all look forward to returning next year.

We know what you're thinking.

Pete's Palace 1st session

Pete's Palace 2002 1st session was a very fun cabin. The cabin was Ryan "Rhyno" Massey. The camper were Fax Herbert of Mass. Pearson Jenks of Mass . Troy Madden of Florida. John Geiger of Florida. Moose Mc Mahon of Mass. Francois Thuriot of U.A.E . Alex Stock of CT. Galen Arnold of AZ. Over the three weeks we all became closer. We all thought of ourselves as good leaders and great example to the rest of camp. Pete's Palace 2002 was a great time for everyone.

Pete's Palace 2nd Session

This year 2nd session Pete's was made up of guys from all over. Every one of us brought our own ideas, views, and traditions to cooperate as a team. Will Weeks, coming up from Ellicott City Maryland has a passion for kayaking, as does Pearson, Jimmi, Joel, and Wataru. Pearson Jenks also likes tennis, coming up not having played at all from Sherborn Massachusetts. Jimmi Carney, from Chicago, (the only cubs fan in Pete's, heck, maybe the only one in Birch Rock) also likes lacrosse. Joel Zayac, the only Maine resident, also likes art. And Wataru Yonehara, all the way from downtown Tokyo, is a very funny kid.

As for Galen Arnold and Mike (Moose) McMahon, they enjoy the waterfront. Galen from Arizona likes to swim and go sailing. Moose likes sailing and also archery, which Jon Geiger, our last member of Pete's (but DEFINITELY not the least) also loves. Ryan Massey, who is from all over basically, is an awesome counselor. Pearson and him share a faith in Buddhism and other Asian philosophies.

This session had a high number of whales, which was four. These consisted of Galen, Will, Pearson and Jon. 2nd session Pete's was a real blast. Through laughs and fights, high fives and punches, we all got along tremendously.



BULLY

Omar's Cabin

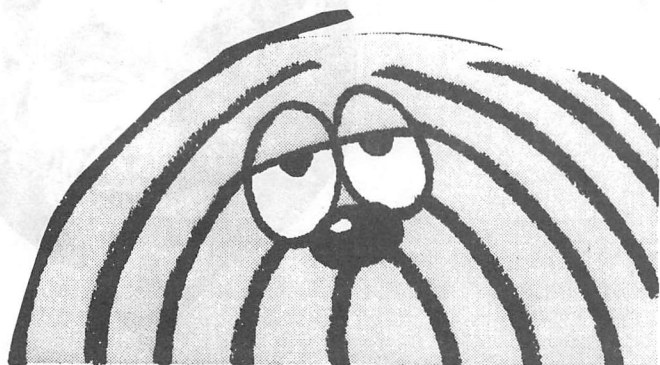
This was an awesome summer for the boys of Omar's. Being stuck in the middle of camp really is a huge advantage for a group of boys who wanted to blend in and not be noticed. We sat in the cabin some nights and listened to the crazy stories coming out of owls' Perch and Pete's Palace.

Inspection was not as strong for us as it normally is. We forgot to make our beds every day this summer. Luckily the counselor didn't seem to mind and the inspection guys always forgot to check. Because the inspection guys forgot to check on us, we installed a refrigerator and kept it stocked with soda and candy all summer long. Our chocolate never melted and we were even able to keep cookies in the fridge. During rest periods, instead of staying in the cabin like we were supposed to, we would sleep on the hammock outside or sometimes we would go into town and get ice cream cones.

We really did have a great summer. Our favorite activities were swimming sleeping, orb, capture the flag, quorum, windsurfing, and shop. Most of the time we would do activities when everyone else was supposed to be in their cabin, so nobody was able to bother us or tell us no. A couple times we went to the arcade to hang out with the guys from Pete's Palace, but the pinball and the packman games in our cabin were much cooler. Plus, we could make milk shakes if we stayed in our cabin.

We hope that one day we can all be staff members like Dave, Thomas, Trevor, Matt, Orin, Mike, and everybody else who gets to do nothing all summer. It looks like they really enjoy themselves. Have a great winter and we will see you around.

-The stellar lads of Omar's Cabin



The CIT Report

This year was a great summer for the CITs. We all had fun with the campers, getting to know and working with them. We worked hard, and found the activities that with would hope to work in next year. Special events that we remember from the summer include: our cabins, Sunday patrol, the kitchen, going to Runoia, the Runoia CITs-especially the Runoia CITs-good fun, Thomas, CIT meetings, life-guard training, "guard in the water", "Bring the backboard", night-vision, "stick around", Predator, evening swims..., Coed wink-tackle, BRC fight-club..., cheese party, Buffalo Burgers, thug-mentality, The Bourne Identity, Signs, days off, and the Chase's house. Overall, the CITs had a great summer and to see all of you next summer. Until then we hope everyone has an awesome off-season, and we look forward to seeing you in the future.

›**Sam Hewett**‹

›**Andrew Chase**‹

›**Tom Crowley**‹

›**Brandon LeBaron**‹

›**Phillip Kindelbachar**‹

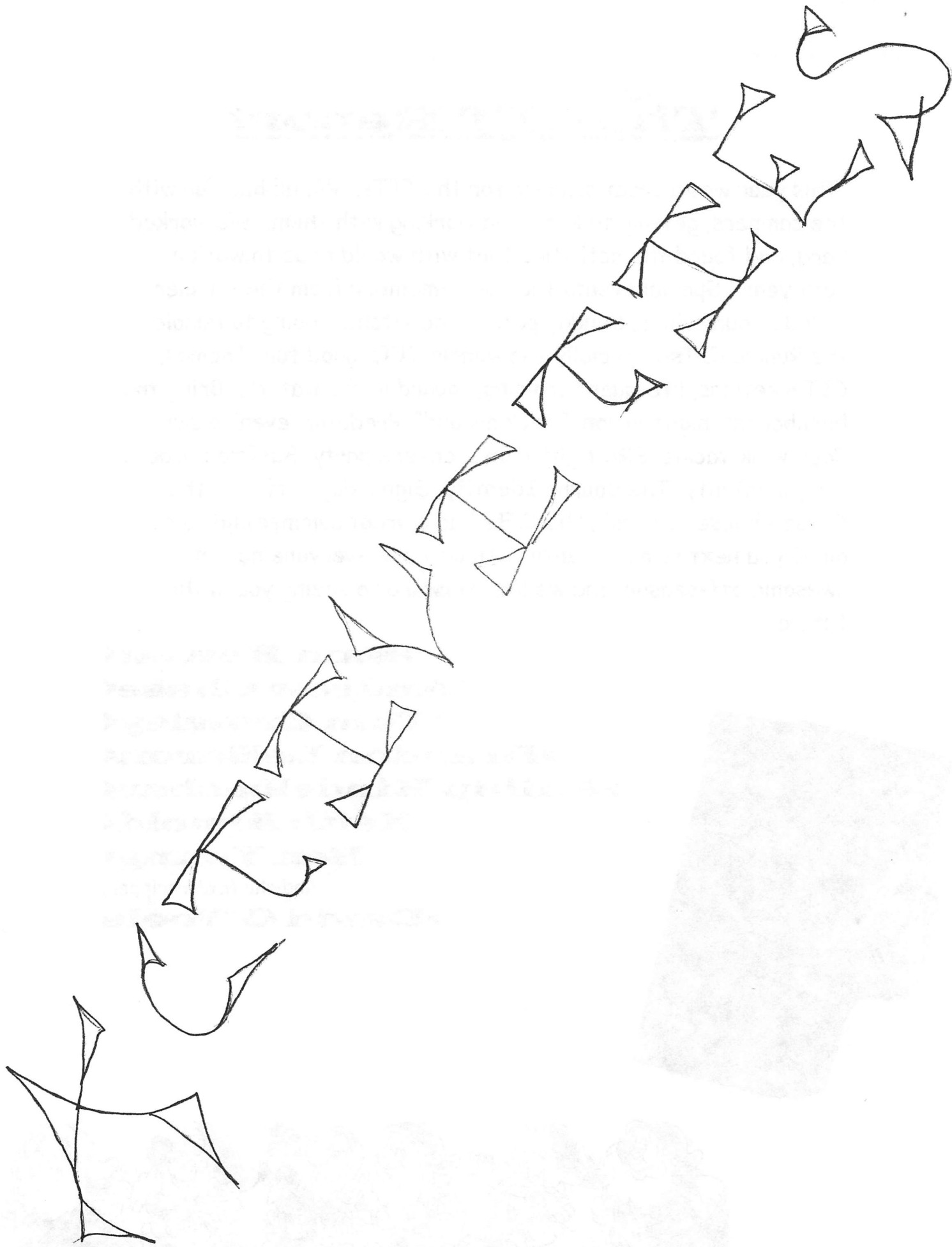
›**Keith Arnold**‹

›**Ben Young**‹

And the MWA tripper,

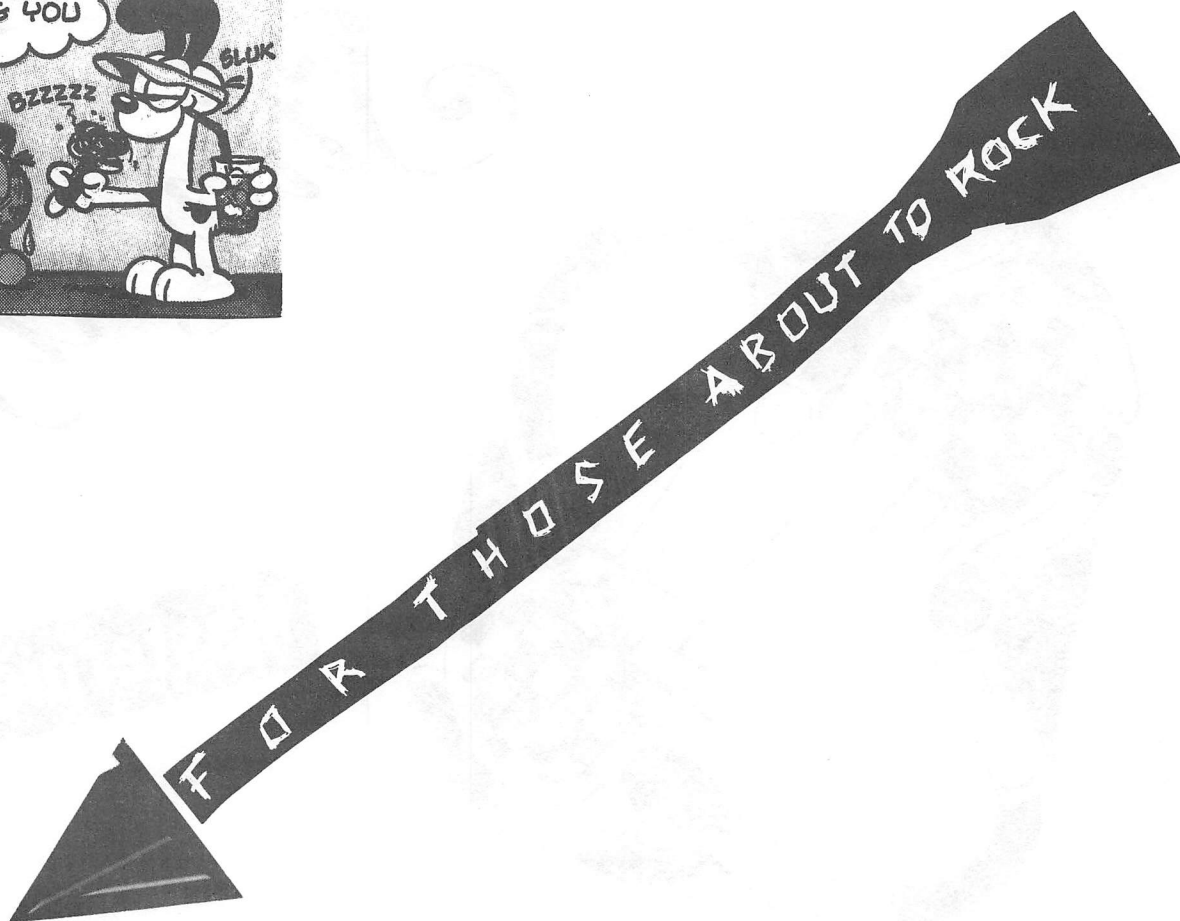
›**David O'Toole**





Archery 2002

It was an exciting year up on the field this year for archery. Through the year there were some issues with the wind but on the whole it was a very successful year. The three instructors Lenza "I like to hit bull's eyes in the morning" Latendresse, Mike "tweet, tweet tweet, tweet tweet tweet" Nordblom, and Philip "No no, you SUPPOSED to hit the target" Kindlebacher had a kicking time imparting the ways of zen into many a young padawan archer. There were several archery starts this year. Jon Geiger, being the archery superstar, is going for his last two badges as this is going to print. Good Job everyone! May your arrows always fly straight and true!



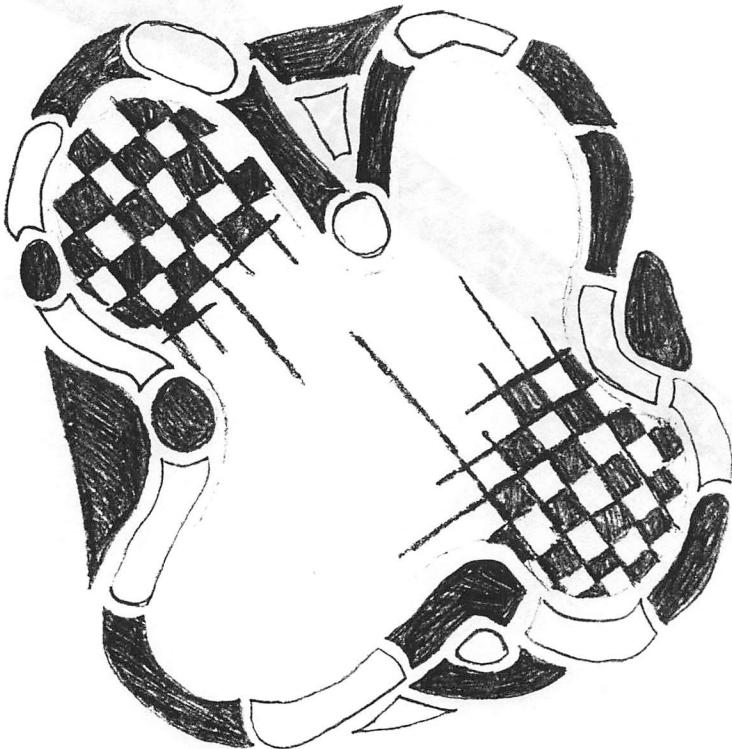
If You're Over 40, You've Got a Choice

ART 2002

Down at the Art Hatchery this year art was better than ever. We had some really creative guys coming down with amazing ideas to create some crazy art stuff. We would have fun down there every period listening to good music and creating art masterpieces out of everything possible. The paints were flying everywhere as we were painting a lot this summer. Throughout the summer we would draw pictures of the camp surroundings and post them up in the hatchery. We also made plaster masks and it was really fun. We colored a lot with the lower campers with markers, crayons, and colored pencils. With upper camp we made more sophisticated art creations.

Art was a lot of fun this year and I hope you all come back to art next year because we'll have some more crazy surprises for you. Until next year

- Owen Wolfertz and Colin Penley



*Ballet
with
Stingrays*

Masterpiece

BASEBALL 2002

A poor man journeyed through the foothills and valleys of the distant land in search of the one whom would teach him the ways. In search of such great knowledge that if you were to possess this information you would forever have the greatest skill of all. The skill of the long ball. The man for who was being sought was King Long Ball himself.

King Long Ball had been in a great state of rest hidden deep in his kingdom awaiting such a traveler to seek the knowledge of the long ball. As the poor man walked along the rustic trail towards King Long Ball's kingdom he would travel through villages and tell tales of the great king. Many a young child found interest in Long Ball's ways and accompanied the man on his journey.

After a long walk up a great hill the man and his followers reached the King's playing field. They begged and pleaded for him to teach them. The King was delighted for such a court and began to teach them all on a daily basis. Instructing them on the proper stance and swing. To keep his pupils interested he would include instruction on throwing and catching with special emphasis on the one hopper. A favorite of the King's good friends Sir Mattson of Oriole.

After many weeks of instruction the poor man and his group found that they had been instructed well enough to head out on their own and spread word of the long ball and the King's ways. As they departed the kingdom King Long Ball could be heard saying "Always keep your eye on the ball and swing for the fence!"

Lenza "Long Ball" Latendresse



BUILDING YOUR TEAM

Basketball

An international counselor taught this year basketball. Everybody called him Marco Polo but his name was Marko Jarc and he was from Slovenia. Marko came to Birch Rock with a lot of experience in basketball. He had played basketball for ten years prior to coming to the Rock. This did not mean that he was ready for teaching it at BRC. Lack of terminology and appropriate drills Marko got help from Dave Jenkins who has taught in previous years. During the second half of the first session basketball became much more challenging and independent. A lot of junior badges were achieved but no attempts for senior or advanced badges. In the second session things ran smoothly and also a lot of junior badges with a couple attempts for senior badges. For the most part we all had a lot of fun.

- Marko Jarc



THERE ARE STILL A FEW REMNANTS
OF MAGIC LEFT IN THE WORLD.

Strength and Tradition...



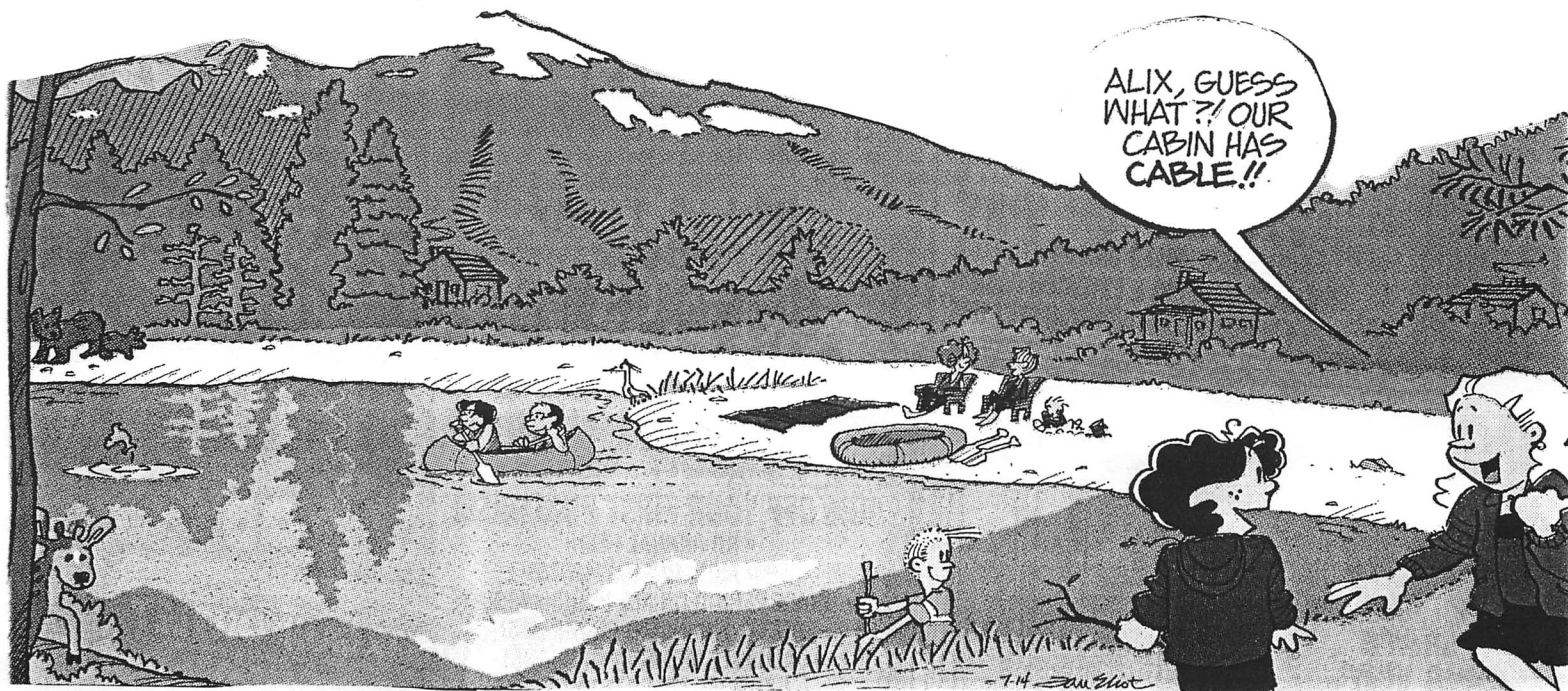
Canoeing

Once again the Birch Rockers of all ages braved the waters of Lake McWain and continued the long-standing tradition that is Birch Rock Canoeing. Boys learned the ways of the paddle under our three fearless instructors: Doug Miller, Mike Wilson, and The Weaz. Canoeing badges this year were incredibly hard to come by, and the instructors held all badge candidates to the highest standards.

The canoeing program this year also included the outstanding victory by our canoe race team over camp Wigwam. Coming in first that race was the tandem of Sam Deeran and Tiger Collins. Canoeing 2002 also included numerous journeys to the far reaches of great Lake McWain, from Seal Rock all the way to Waz. I would like to express what a pleasure it has been working with this expert team of canoeing counselors and all you enthusiastic campers. Till' next year.

- The Weaz

PURSUE YOUR DAYDREAMS



Kayaking 2002

Well I was sitting in my apartment back home in New Orleans when the phone rang and my good friend Orin Dodge was on the line asking me if I wanted to go to Maine and be a camp counselor. After thinking about how the summers in New Orleans consists of 120% humidity with a heat index, which is the opposite of that wind chill thing y'all know about, that reaches in the 120° ranges, I grabbed a bottle of Crystal Hot Sauce and some Tony Chachere's Cajun seasoning and drove 1600 miles to Maine and here I am.

This was my first year at Birch Rock Camp and it's been a great one for kayaking. We've had a fabulous time this summer. Along with learning the different kayaking strokes and other pertinent information, we went on several "expeditions" including kayaking across the lake and down to seal rock.

During the first session we had a great time but had to contend with some inclement weather, which hampered our kayaking adventures. Even with the bad weather, several young men learned the art of kayaking and earned their junior kayaking badges.

For the second session we kicked things up a notch. Two campers decided to start working on their advanced kayaking badges, which I was forced to invent. One of the boys took a trip down to the end of the lake, which turned out to be a round trip distance of 2 miles. And the other learned how to perform an eskimo roll with amazing skill and speed.

Overall everyone had a great time in kayaking. I can't wait to come back next year and possibly set up a kayaking trip down a river. So until then, have a great school year and I'll see y'all next summer!

-Douglas Miller

**SOMEBODY
IS MAKING THINGS
RIGHT AGAIN.**

Green kids

LACROSSE REPORT 2002

BEING RELATIVELY NEW TO LACROSSE, I DID NOT KNOW WHAT TO TEACH FIRST. I KNEW ALL THE SKILLS AND WHAT WAS IMPORTANT SO I STARTED WITH WHAT I FELT WAS THE EASIEST. DURING THE FIRST SESSION, I WORKED WITH THE WOLVES AND THE BADGERS AND THEN THOSE TWO PLUS THE FALCONS FOR THE SECOND SESSION. DURING BOTH SESSIONS, THE KIDS WORKED TREMENDOUSLY HARD AND HAD LOTS OF FUN.

THE THREE BADGES THAT COULD BE EARNED INCLUDE THE WILLIAMS (JUNIOR), THE HOBART (SENIOR) AND THE HOPKINS (ADVANCED). THE CAMPERS WHO EARNED THE WILLIAMS BADGE INCLUDE: PETER NEILSON, OWEN KNIGHTS, MICHAEL HARPER, JULIO HEINSEN, AND SAM CLEAVES. THESE FIVE YOUNG MEN WORKED ALMOST EVERY DAY UP ON THE FIELD TOWARD THE BADGE. THEY COMPLETED ALL PARTS OF THE BADGE. SOME PARTS INCLUDE: CATCHING, THROWING, GROUND BALLS, CRADLING, AND CONDITIONING. THESE FOUR YOUNG MEN EARNED THE HOBART: ANDREW CLEMENCE, JIMMI CARNEY, MARC WINKLER, AND AIDAN BOZZELLI. THE FOUR OF THEM WORKED HARD ON THE PARTS LISTED ABOVE, FACE OFFS, GAME SITUATIONS AND MORE. EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THESE YOUNG MEN DESERVES THE BADGES THAT THEY EARNED AND THE REST OF THE SUMMER OFF.

I AM GLAD THAT I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH ALL THE CAMPERS HERE AT BRC. I ALSO HOPE THAT I AM ABLE TO WORK WITH THE CAMPERS OF THE SUMMER OF 2003. SEE YOU ALL EITHER NEXT SUMMER OR SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE. THANKS FOR AN N EXCELLENT SUMMER THAT WAS FILLED TO THE BRIM WITH FUN AND EXCITEMENT.

MATT "MDP's" DOWNS



**IT'S A BIG FAT JUICY
CHEESEBURGER
IN A LAND OF TOFU.**

*Depending on model and when properly equipped.

Mountain Biking 2002

"Pedal you worms! The sweat will get the dust out of your eyes. Tom and I want to see each one of you miserable slimes exhausted and at the top of this hill within five seconds. If you don't make it up this time, go back and do it again!" Tired, filthy, and longing for general swim a stalwart Birch Rock gentleman faces the Nemesis Hill, out by the high-tension power lines, not feeling so gentlemanly at all. Tom Clemence and Mike Wilson have dragged him out here once again, unsympathetic to his burning thighs and trembling calves, demanding that he again face that hill that has caused grown men to weep and bold children to sleep through second rest period. As he slides into a lower gear to navigate the misanthropic muck that precedes the hill, the camper thinks, "This is stupid. I've been trying this climb for weeks, and I always spin out. My legs hurt, my cabin has to do a skit on Saturday, I'm working on my campcraft badge, and this is my second time in the kitchen this session. I don't want to be stuck out here in the Maine woods getting worked harder than a CIT on Sunday!" Then the climb begins. The camper shifts forward on his bicycle, and feels his strong legs bring his body closer to the frame. He is a pouncing cat, releasing his energy to shoot up the slope, pulled by some force that issues from the ground, sings in the tires, and courses through his body. Zoom! There is nothing in the world but him and the hill. Suddenly, he is at the top of Nemesis- he breathes heavily and deeply, steps out of his toe clips, and looks back down the slope. It's really not that bad. His mind is like a glass cavern, pristine and uncluttered, and filled with appreciation for his bike, him, and the trail. He sees his friends down in the mud puddle at the bottom, cheering at his success and thoughts about the rest of the world trickle back into his head. Tom and Mike smile at each other, and say to the camper, "Welcome to the top. There's still a long way to go."

Last summer Tom and I worked hard to put the life back into the mountain biking program, which had been without direction for a few years. We had to scour badge requirements, deal with weird equipment, and figure out how to keep track of the kids' progress, as well as generate interest for the sport. This summer, our labor paid off and the program began with a bang and kept on going that way, practically running itself. We have had countless wonderful forays into our big backyard on McWain Hill, exploring the miles of trails created by people and animals around Crooked River; we have packed lunch up and ridden to beautiful Hawk Mountain; and we have gotten out to Sunday River twice for some intense downhill riding (I think it's way too plush to use chair lifts, but the kids seem to like it... hrmph). Without so much of our energy devoted to renovating the program, Tom and I were able to teach our riders more than simply how to pedal a bike; we made every effort to get the little slimes to appreciate the power and ability that they have within themselves, harness that power, and then sincerely support their friends on their journey for expertise. No wonder the mountain biking counselors are always so happy! It's been a wonderful ride, and it isn't over yet.

Thank you mountain bikers and thank you Birch Rock

Michael Wilson,
On behalf of the mountain biking program

**Where
Have All
the Morons
Gone?**

Sailing 2002

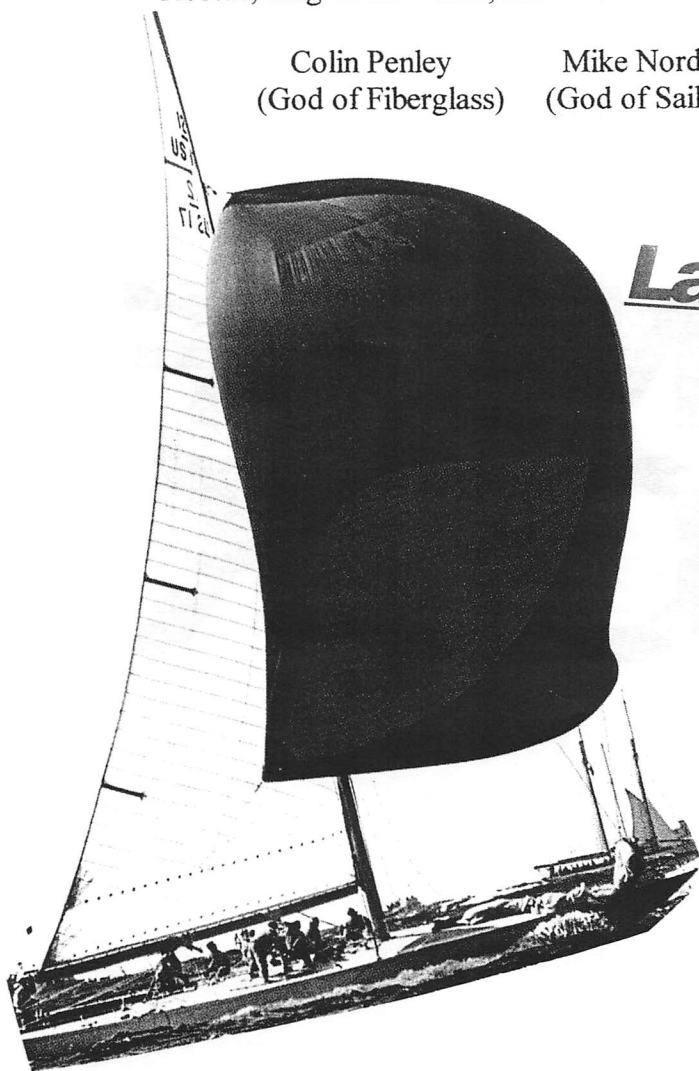
Unfortunately, the wind didn't always agree with us, but the first session was great canoeing weather. But we persevered and continued to try to appease the gods of the weather to give us wind. The campers came down to the waterfront with pouts on their faces from the lack of wind and they tried to convince the gods that one more day of capsizing would drive them to give us wind. Fortunately, the gods began to smile on us for the second half of the summer (Of course they did insist on blowing a bit hard as soon as it was time to de-rig the boats, but who are we to complain.) By the end of the summer we had a full fleet of boats and the young men of BRC were attacking the wavy waters of Lake McWain.

We had a strong group of dedicated men who daily made the trek from the swim tent, each one of whom made an impact on the sailing program. I would like to mention that the Rios brothers a pair ready for the Skipper sailing badge. Jack Coster, Joe Baxter and, Sean O' Toole who are greatly improved sailors. Sebby Weeks finally got his deckhand. Moose McMahon and Matt Clifford are two men striving for their advanced badge, and, though they never quite made it the proved themselves worth the title of "Sailor". Finally our very own maintenance boy, Galen Arnold even though he earned his Skipper last year came down religiously and lent a hand wherever he could. He has proven himself ready to join the ranks of sailing instructors. Remember if you see Acolus, king of the winds; ask him for some better sailing weather next summer.

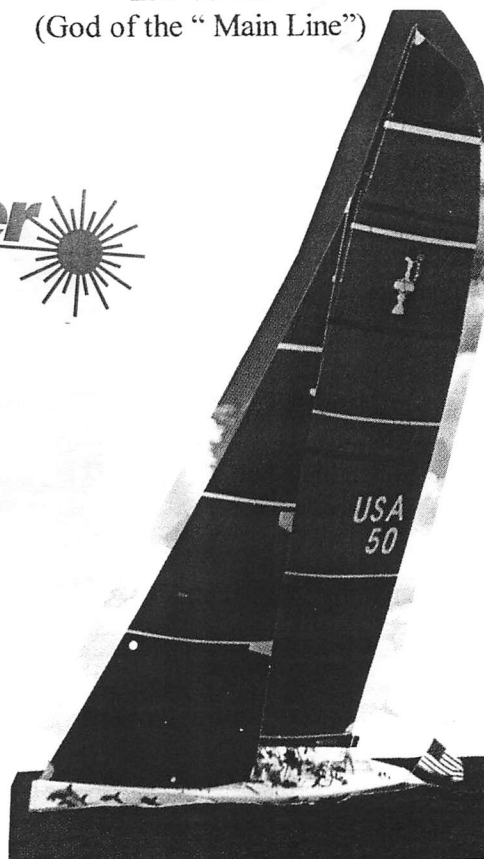
Colin Penley
(God of Fiberglass)

Mike Nordblom
(God of Sail Cloth)

Erik Joelsson
(God of the "Main Line")



Laser 



Soccer 2002

This year up on the field there was a deep interest in soccer. I want to start by thanking everybody that signed up for soccer this year. We played through blazing heat from the sun, blinding power from the clouds, and ball stopping power from the wind. It is a long trek up to the field everyday but many were brave and strong enough to survive. In the end a good time was had by all and a few badges were earned as well. Earning their Junior Badges this year was the likes of Tom Foorman, Henry Rounds, Robert David Weeks, Jeremy Kazanjian- Amory, Alex McFarlane and other worthy sack.

From the far away field of Winona came a Challenge to the BRC soccer crew. A match to be played in friendly Competition. Birch Rock was represented most graciously by Kyle Case, Franscois Thuriot, Chris Neilson, and others. The BRC boys played their hearts out and as gentleman that day.

Special thanks must go out to a few special people who realized that their badge was unattainable but still signed up for love of the game. To Nate Judge and Wataru Yonehara. I give special thanks. I also must thank my co-teacher Marko. His knowledge and enthusiasm to the younger of the BRC boys are greatly appreciated. He made soccer this year absolutely great. I hope next year some of the growing soccer legends will continue their development to the senior level. Till next year. Peace out

-Erik Joelsson

TOYS FOR THE BOY IN THE MAN

THE

KING OF ROCK

BINOCULARS

SWIMMING 2002

This summer's swim program was headed up by Carl Finnsson, Owen Wolfertz, David Nesher, Trevor Dakers, John Wargo, The CIT's and Simple Pincus. We had a great season of swimming, and the long distance program set new records all around. This program was highlighted by the Whales of Pearson Jenks, Galen Arnold, John Geiger, and the epic, legendary, mythic, four hour masterpiece by Will Weeks. However, Whales were not the only thing we did at swimming this summer. Ducks, Loons, and Seals were a daily sight, each one a accomplishment worthy of the highest praise. We learned to swim with grace, skill, and strength under the close watch of our first class swim instruction staff. None of this could have been accomplished if it weren't for the hard work and serious attitude with which every camper came to swimming everyday. Thank you EVERYBODY!

- Simple

Beat the **Heat**

The sun's about 10,000 degrees at the surface. Meet your line of defense.

the old timer

Tennis 2002

The Birch Rock tennis court was one again ablaze with the throngs of young tennis phenoms. The extraordinary talent and prowess this year catapulted Birch Rock up the USTA's "Most impressive centers for tennis learning" list.

Heading the tennis program this year was the duo of Matt "#1 singles" Downs and Mark "doubles Mastermind" Sutherland, known as Weaz. This year's tennis program also included a successful trip to Arcadia for the mixed doubles. There the boys did Birch Rock proud on and off the court behind the leadership of Sebby Weeks, who obliterated his age group on the court.

I thoroughly enjoyed working with all you gentlemen, and would like to give thanks to my co-instructor Matt Downs, and all the Its who helped at tennis. Hope to see you all again next year.

-The Weaz

**THEY SAY I'M
THE BLACK SHEEP
OF THE FAMILY...
THEY'RE JUST JEALOUS.**

*a Gift Certificate
for you!*

Volleyball 2002

Volleyball- The favored sport of the gods of the beach. The art of reaction time and anticipation. The skill of a well placed set and the power of a well crushed hit.

This year Erik Joelsson, Mike Wilson, and I had the pleasure of teaching the campers the art of how to play volleyball. Every morning Erik would have a massive group of young boys eager to gain wisdom from his vast experience. They were relentless in the pursuit of skill and many attained enough prowesses to have rightly earned their j junior volleyball.

Wilson and I had the older boys, the few, the proud, the real men on he field. Each afternoon we would spend out time bumping, setting, serving, hitting serving, bumping, and shanking a few here and there. (Did I mention serving?) Although the afternoon class may have lacked numbers there was dedication, and one man even managed to earn his senior volleyball. Ryan Shorty McGroarty, with strength of will unmatched on the court this summer. With a bit of time he pushed out a very challenging and VERY well deserved badge. Congratulations. So over the off-season remember three things.

1. Don't spaz, be smooth
2. Bump, set, hit
3. Ignore the gym-teachers comments, you know more than he/she does

- Colin Penley
Volleyball Guru

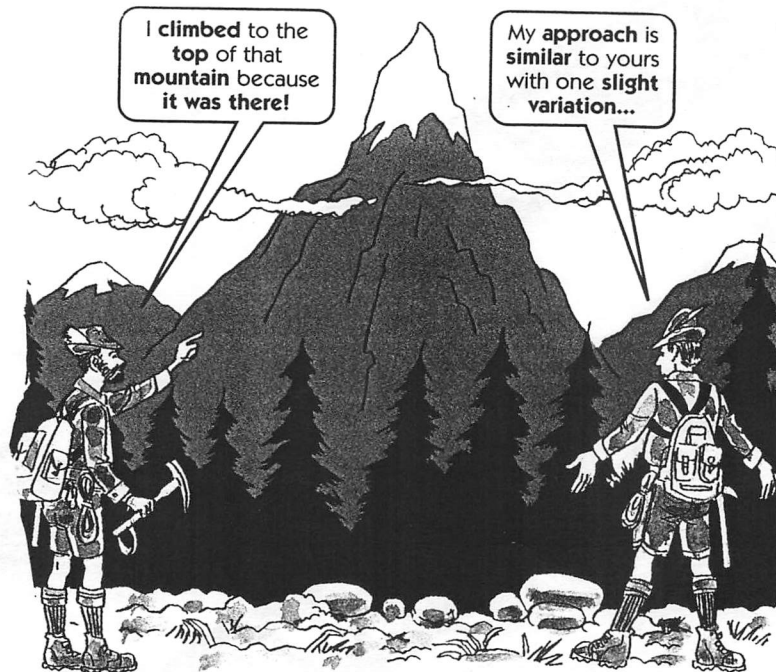
**ONLY THE BEST COME
HOME AT SUNSET!**

Wilderness Trip Program Report

Birch Rock Camp

Summer 2002

This year was a fantastic one for Birch Rock trips. Over the seven week season each cabin went on two trips, meaning each camper got an opportunity to go on at least one wilderness trip. Under the direction and guidance of long time trip director David Jenkins, Orin Dodge and Matt Sutherland were this year's tripleaders, and successfully took many groups of young men into the wilderness of Maine and New Hampshire. From the nearby Crooked River to Mount Desert Island to the Moose River, many miles were traveled, many burdens were carried, and many wonderful sights were seen. Some highlights included spending time on the Ropes Course, day-hiking the hardest mile along the Appalachian Trail, canoeing 3 miles from the Canadian border, canoeing the Rangeley lakes, and hiking many mountains including Bigelow, Cadillac, Tumbledown, Doublehead, Wyman, Baldpate, Saddleback, Sugarloaf, and Baldface. And of course, a good time was had by all.



Cabin 1 and Hilton A 1st Session Trip
Report

AT SECOND PERIOD WE STARTED OUR JOURNEY, CABIN 1 AND HILTON A WENT INTO THE VAN AND WERE DROPPED OFF WALKING DISTANCE FROM THE CAMPSITE. AT THE CAMPSITE WE EXPLORED, PLAYED COPS AND ROBBERS AND FOUND A FROG. WE HAD PASTA FOR DINNER. WE HAD A GREAT TRIP.

Hercules

The Boston Globe
FUN

Hilton A and Cabin 1 Trip 2nd session

Hilton A and Cabin 1 went on a trip to Crooked River. Robert Donahue, Chris Cogswell, Ben Brewster, Adam Moyer, Tom Carson, Eli, Roger, and Javie were there. We had fun swimming in the river and jumping off from rock to rock. Ben, Robert, Adam, and Chris built a fire. We ate vego for dinner, s'mores for dessert, and oatmeal for breakfast. The second day we explored the campsite before we left. A good time was had by all!!

-“WE LOVE PEARSON” Cabin 1



Hilton B and Cabin 2 Trip Report (2nd session)

Robert David, Ben Howard, David Kane, Harry Netzer, Owen Knights, Grant Carlson, Charlie Silverstien, and I were lead off into the deep wilderness of Maine by our fearless staff, Orin and Colin. After setting up our tents, we decided to go questing. Following in the footsteps of famous explorers such as Marco Polo, Vasco De Gamma and Don Munn, we ventured off down stream, across the pool, trying, straining, to follow the strands of ethereal music emanating from the far bank. Our travels were slowed by grabbing tree branches, killer minnows, and the giant whirlpool. We almost lost Owen to the clutches of the fallen elm, but Grant Carlson preformed a daring rescue swimming underwater for minutes, fighting off the minnows, to rescue Owen. We took a fun spin around the whirlpool and when we came out the other end the mysterious music seemed to be right on top of us. I, being the daring and dashing Dominican I am, leapt out of the cool river water to attempt to discover the source of the music. Unfortunately, David was faster than I was and went rushing up the bank. Catching is foot on a protruding root, David sprawled headlong into the scrub brush growing all around. The afternoon air was wrenched by a scream that shattered the branches of the nearby weeping willow. When the wood shards settled we discovered that he had actually landed on Harry Netzer who had been shot out of the whirlpool and into the brush. The mystical voice was crashing off through the woods, sounding like David Barrette on a rampage. We set chase, Charlie in the lead followed closely by the rest of us, with the counselors panting in the back. Eventually, Orin told us that we had to turn around (personally I think he was embarrassed that he couldn't keep up with the rest of us, but that's just between you and me). We returned to our campsite and Orin and Colin whipped up a gourmet meal of alligator tail, gumbo, and crawfish. After we had all been satiated and had filled any room left in our stomachs with a chocolate soufflé, we set out on a croc-hunting excursion. Ben Howard found a 14 footer wrapped around the base of a rock. With no regard to his fingers, he leapt onto the croc's head and pulled it into a submission hold. When he had subdued the beast, he discovered it was actually Galen Arnold and not a croc. At that point in the growing dusk, we decided that our toes were at risk and we should head to bed. The next morning, we had eggs and we went back to camp. Dave Jenkins picked us up. We left Robert David, but we went back and got him.

~ Michael Harper, getting by with a little help from his friends



★ WANTED



Cabin 3 and 4 1st trip first session

This year Cabin 3 and 4 went to Doublehead Mountain in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Accompanying them were Orin and Rich. During their hike to the cabin they would be staying in, the kids set up camp while Orin and Rich assigned rooms. Sam Cleaves, Nick Rios, Tommy Winger, and Sether Hanson went exploring the trails while the others stayed around camp to help with dinner. Dinner made by Orin consisted of pesto pasta and bread. They all watched the sun set behind Mount Washington and then roasted s'mores. Since they could not make a fire, they decided to use the stove. The hungry campers made a lot of s'mores. That night while Rich and Orin were outside, the campers told jokes and riddles. Nick got very hyper after the s'mores. It was hard to calm him down. The next day after breakfast, we made the quick climb to the southern peak. When they arrived, they all agreed it was a breathtaking view of Washington and the other presidentials. Many pictures were taken. They quickly hiked down the mountain, which was much easier than the hike up and finally got to the car. A good time was had by all.



Taste the Energy

CABIN 3 AND 4 TRIP REPORT 2ND SESSION

On a sunny Monday morning, Cabin 3 and cabin 4 hopped into the van with Orin and Trevor, and headed out to Crocker Pond. When we arrived at the campsite we had to turn around and go back to a store to buy a pen because we needed one to fill out the fee envelope. After we got back to the campsite we set up our tents and had lunch. Following lunch we set out to hike Albany Mountain. The hike was tiring, but when we reached the top we were rewarded with a strong breeze, blueberry patches, and a beautiful view. We stayed at top for over half an hour picking blueberries, wintergreen and resting. The hike down was faster and on the way we saw a snake. On return to the campsite, Orin began to cook dinner while we went frog catching and fishing. Dinner was red beans and rice. After dinner we all swam across the lake except Anderson. It was really weedy and mucky. On the other side we jumped off of a huge rock. Then we all swam back. We had a campfire and headed to bed. All of us slept in two tents and the two councilors slept on the top of the van. It rained hard that night. Next morning we had a breakfast of egg and cheese, bagel sandwiches. After breakfast we headed out to a swimming hole near Sunday River Ski Resort. When we finally got there we were all excited. There were cliffs about 15ft high around the swimming hole which was so deep that you couldn't see the bottom. We all jumped off at least one of the cliffs; The water was freezing cold, it was still awesome. We stayed for a half an hour and then headed back to Birch Rock.

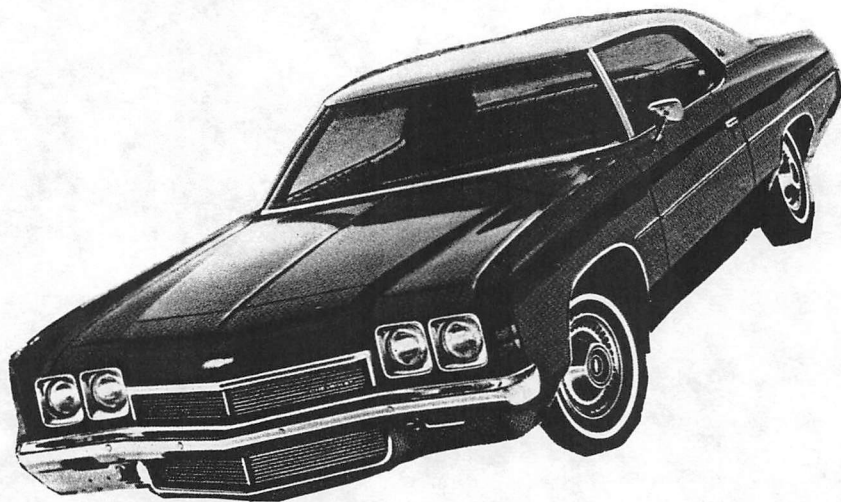
-Charlie Governali



Cabins 5 and 6 Trip Report 1st Session

We went to the Webb Lake region and hiked two mountains, Tumbledown and little Jackson Mountain. On the first day we had trouble finding the campsite and we went exploring. The next day we started our hike and everyone carried a backpack. At the top of Little Jackson, the view was amazing. It was very windy. Then we had lunch and started hiking to Tumbledown. At the top the view was amazing, everyone was tired when we reached the campsite. There were many blisters since we had hiked 11 miles in 10 hours. The next day we left.

SACRED SPACE



Cabin 7 and 8 trip report 1st session

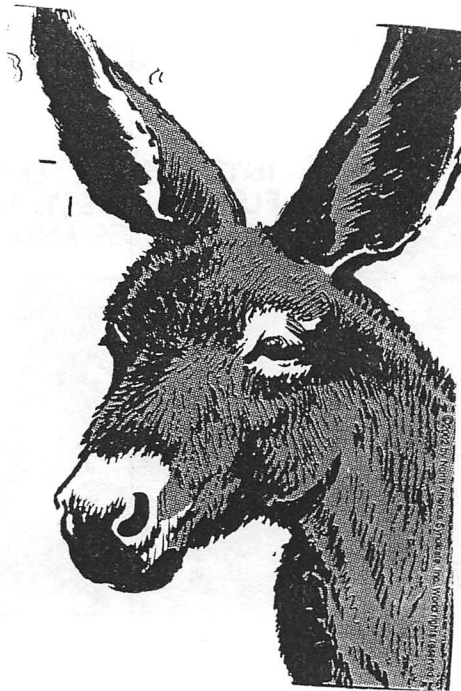
On Monday July 1, 2002 cabins seven and eight went on a three day hiking trip on the Bigalow Mountain Range. The trip was led by Matt Sutherland, Mike Nordblom, and Keith Arnold. The car ride lasted two hours with most of us just talking along the way.

As we got to the dirt covered parking lot we were very happy to get out and walk around. But after what felt was a short time it was time to head out. The beginning of the hike was easy as it was only a few ups and downs, and mostly flat. As we got on the trail though it started to get rough for the last three miles, especially because of all the streams and mud puddles we crossed. As we got to the camp site we were humored to see a squirrel with half of a tail trying to get to our food. But humor lead to annoyance, and Matt had to fend it off with a stick when it came around. That night we had a delicious dinner of pasta with tomato sauce.

The next day we woke up to a thunder storm that gave off so much water that we had water beds. Unfortunately that storm delayed us an hour as we got a late start on the walk ahead. Eventually we got to a fork on the trail and Matt told us to drop our packs and go one way. We felt so much better getting those heavy packs and were ready for any thing. It turns out that we were going to the top of north peak, a peak on the range, it was a good sight, but we had to make time so we left pretty quickly. Just before we left some of us turned around so we could see the next peak we were going to climb, south peak. When we got down to our packs we immediately put them on and started to ascend to the top of south peak. Our time on the peak was short lived, but it was a beautiful sight, as we hustled though a very easy two miles we came to the top of west peak, it was a marvelous sight as we were there for a good fifteen minutes to see it. we then started to make out descent down most of the mountain. As it was too late we couldn't make it to the other peak, so we just ate a dinner of Vigo and went to bed. The next morning we woke very early to pack up and make our way to Avery peak. The view was the best out of all the others by far, we spent a good ten minutes up there admiring the great view. Once we had gotten down to where our packs were we made a very fast time down to the van, where we were treated to a soda by Matt. All in all it was a great trip and fun was had by all!!

Alasdair Thornton

A Walk Through the Wilderness





Cabin 7 and 8 trip 2nd session

Our cabin went to Tumbledown mountain on a three night, two day trip. We went with cabin 7. We hiked the second day only. The campsite was very dirty with broken beer bottles and such. Except for all the cigarette butts we cleaned it up and set up camp. During the trip we had peanut butter wraps and Vico and gorp. The second day we hiked Tumbledown. It was 2.2 miles to Tumbledown pond, which is at the peak near the top. We swam in the pond, and out to the island in its center. But before swimming we chose to go all the way to the top. We ended up at the peak of the mountain. There was an incredible view, we could only see twenty feet in front of us because there was a cloud spinning around us. Hiking down we managed to avoid the wasp's nest which stung everybody on the way up, especially Aidan Bozelli. That night many people drove in, many with ATV's. They drove them yelling and screaming and then a pickup truck full of girls in the back came through our campsite. They were very loud. Another person camping at the site told us they went until 2:30 AM. During all this we had fun roasting marshmallows. We went to sleep and drove home the next day. And a good time was had by all.



Eagle's Nest trip 1st session

This was a great trip to Mount Desert Island by Eagles Nest with Orin and Doug. It was a long drive, but the trip was worth it. The sites were great from the top of Cadillac mountain. It was a very long hike but overall it was fun. We could see the whole island from the top. We went swimming in Echo lake which was awesome after a grueling day of hiking. It was a fun trip and a good time was had by all.

-Andrew Clemence

Eagle's Nest Trip to Goose Eye 2nd Session

We started our trip by driving an hour or two, to the beginning of the trail. We jumped out, ate lunch, then started hiking. After about two miles we ran into a shelter, there we pitched our tents and chilled. After supper we went to bed. In the morning we ate breakfast, and would have hitched it out of there, but it down-poured for 45 minutes. After the rain we hiked THREE peaks, the tallest being Goose Eye. At the top we saw Owl's Perch. It was really windy and the rain was going HORIZONTAL! After the long 4-mile hike, we reached our shelter for the night. Once again chilling and pitching the tents. In the morning, we hiked about three miles reached the van. Even though we were exhausted we all had a splendid time.



Buzzard's Roost Trip 1st Session

Matt Sutherland, Buzzard's Roost, Jake Merchant, Erik Joelsson, Ben Young have just come back from a 3 day hiking trip which was on the Appalachian Trail. On the first day we hiked 6 miles up two mountains, Mt. Hall and Mt. Moody, it was a long and hard hike and everyone was relieved when we reached the shelter. For our second day we hiked 14 miles up Mt. Wyman, Mt. Surplus, East Peak of Mt. Baldpate, and the West Peak of Mt. Baldpate. We couldn't stop at 4 miles at a shelter but we decided to push the extra 5 miles and we reached the last shelter 3 hours later. It was a long, yet satisfying day. On the last day we hiked two miles to the road, but before we reached the road we took a scenic detour to Table Rock. The views from the rock were awesome. We then hiked back to the main trail, and then the remaining, half a mile to the road. It was a great trip and a good time was had by all.

TRIP REPORT

BUZZARD'S ROOST RANGELY LAKES 2ND SESSION

1:40 on the first Tuesday of camp we loaded into the van with Matt, Deb, and Tom Crowley. After a two hour ride we loaded the boats with gear and canoed to our first campsite. We set up camp and did a little fishing. Once we'd eaten our pesto pasta and pudding we went to bed. We woke up early the next day, had a quick breakfast and got on the water. The eight-mile canoe journey took a little longer than expected, but we lucked out with the wind and had plenty of time to relax at the student's island mainland campground. We did a few things with the canoes, went swimming, and played cards. When it got to be time for dinner, we cooked pizza and cookies in the reflector oven. We were pretty tired, so we went to bed. The next morning was another early one. We took down camp, and got under way. We had a little wind until we got to upper Richardson. We had a short portage that took less than an hour and we were underway quickly. It was like paddling on glass until we hit the Narrows where we had a little headwind. We got to Spaulding Cove and set up camp. We had all hung around for the rest of the day. After an early morning and a 9.5 mile paddle, we all went to bed right after dinner. We got to sleeping on the last day. We took down camp quickly and got in the boats. We fought a nasty headwind the entire way, which made six miles feel like eight. We all made it and were happy to see Don and Janice at the end. We loaded up the van and headed to Pat's Pizza, where we ran into Pete's Palace. We filled up on pizza and headed back to camp. A good time was had by all.




Strange.

Owl's perch goes to Rangeley Lakes

The weather was mild and the cabin was ready the day we set off. We piled into the vane and followed Don and Janice up the hill and onto the road. The ride wasn't bad. We rested for the days ahead and munched on cold grilled cheese sandwiches. When we arrived at the drop off site we briefly socialized with the outward bound group, and a group from Winona, then headed off to Brich Island, where we were scheduled to spend the first night. Orin and Weeze set a good pace, and we soon reached our destination, but instead of stooping, we decided to continue onto next night's site, Student's Island. As we proceeded, we encountered a moderate broadside wind, which may have hindered us mildly, but we soon arrived at Student's Island nonetheless. We rafted up, took a snack break, and looked at the map. We decided to keep going past Student's Island, and make for the portage site, where we would spend the night. The logic in this being that we would portage the canoes that night, and the next day there'd be very little to do. When we reached the portage site, we decided to keep going. Under the watchful eye of Orin and Weeze, we paddled past sundown. We decided we'd make for Spaulding cove, the 3rd night's site. Upon reaching the site, we met a person already situated there. The conversation that ensued was something out of a Monty Python movie. Having paddled away from Spaulding cove, we found a small area to slip. We landed, setup camp, and promptly fell asleep, having already paddled $\frac{3}{4}$'s of the trip. We lazily woke up the next morning. We slept quite late but we were all sore. There was another campsite that we could see people leaving so when they left we went to Tom's Woodyard. We were kicked out by an old man and sent back two hours to Half moon cove. We encountered a tough headwind, but it couldn't stop us. We slept there for the night. We woke up and had some oatmeal for breakfast. We then packed up camp and headed to Spaulding cove where we had a reservation for the night. There was more headwind but it was okay. We spent the night there and had a little bit of rain. The next morning we woke up and had a quick breakfast. Then we headed to the pickup place. We paddled for a while until we got a tail wind. Then we rafted all four canoes together and made one of the tarps into a sail. We cruised effortlessly at high speeds until we got to the pickup site. We loaded everything up and headed back to Birch Rock.

Owl's Perch thanks Don Munn, Janice, Matt S., Dave J., Orin, and the Weaz. A great time was had by all.

YOU LOOK HOT
ISN'T ALWAYS
A COMPLIMENT.



Dive into pure pleasure.

Owls Perch 2nd Session Trip Report

This year Owl's Perch embarked on a three day hiking trip on the Mahoosic Range, led by Dave Jenkins and Orin Dodge. We set out early Monday morning on a two-hour drive to the trailhead. On our first day we had beautiful weather and made steady progress on our four-mile hike to the campsite. There was some pretty intense uphill, but we powered through. Once at the campsite we feasted on a delicious meal of tortillas filled with refried beans, cheese, and salsa.

The next morning we woke up to a light drizzle which progressively strengthened as we packed up camp. It became a downpour as we began to set out. That day was all up and down as we climbed three peaks to our second campsite. The first two peaks were very steep and constant rain didn't help matters. At the top of both peaks we were confronted by very strong winds which almost blew Nate off the mountain. (Thank God for the weight of his Pack!) Halfway between the peaks we met up with Eagle's nest who were doing the same trip as ours but in reverse. When we reached the campsite around 2:00 PM the rain stopped and the sun came out as we ate our lunch. We spent the afternoon resting until we were joined by two girls camps at around 4:00 PM. This made things a little more interesting. For dinner we had red beans and rice followed by restful sleep.

We set early the next day after a quick breakfast of oatmeal and Gorp. It was all downhill from our campsite to the van, which was approximately two miles. We completed it in under an hour. We returned to camps with good memories and a good time was had by all.

DARK ARENA



Pete's Palace
Moose River Trip
1st session

Pete's Palace's Moose River trip with Matt Sutherland and Rhyno Massey started on the morning of July 8th with a four drive to Jackman, ME, only five miles south of Canada. Our first day out on the canoe trio, the eight members of Pete's Palace and 2 staff in five canoes paddled across Attean pond to our first campsite and a grueling 1.5 mile portage to Holeb pond. The first night was extremely buggy and the fact that there was a large storm passing did nothing for us except increase the number of bugs to deal with. The second day was considerably easier than the first. We paddled 2.5 miles across Holeb pond to Holeb stream, where we rafted together and had lunch on the float. We soon reached our much anticipated destination-the moose river. The moose river is very windy and unpredictable, requiring vigilance and reflexes of the stern man, who is in charge of turning the canoe upon reaching our second campsite, Holeb Falls, we set down our equipment and hauled our canoes through another .5 mile portage which was much easier than the previous one. The falls were very large and fast moving. So it was very dangerous to go too close to them. Instead, we swam in a large eddy at the base of the falls and climbed on the rocks at the bottom of the falls. We began our third day excellently with a bacon and bagel breakfast since our third day was supposed to be the most difficult day of the whole trip. The reason was there were many rapids and rips that we had to go through or around. The difficulty showed itself when one canoe was swamped and its occupants had to bail t to avoid flipping. Although no canoe flipped on the entire trip, there were several close calls. Our fourth an final day began with the remaining into Attean Pond. The wind was very strong that day so paddling the 2.5miles back to the boat ramp was a challenge, even while stopping behind islands for rest. Our lunch was rather strange. After the huge relief of landing at the boat dock, we slapped together burritos which contained all over leftovers. After a lengthy wait, Don Munn and Janice Walker came and picked up our canoe rank and the Moose River trip began to go back home and a good time was had by all.

M Y H O U S E

**If you can't change your habits
change your tires.**

SENSITIVE

Pete's Palace 2nd Session Trip Report

Early in the morning on July 23rd Pete's Palace went on a hiking trip with Orin and Marko. Our driver Dave Weeks brought us to our first destination. After that we hiked 2 miles after departing route four stopping at a place called Piazza Rock. We camped there for the night and had a delicious meal of burritos made by Orin. The next day we woke up at the bright early hour of 6:00. We had an interesting breakfast of "cream of wheat". Then we put on our packs and began our grueling 11-mile hike.

The first two miles were pretty nice but it became unmerciful. We hit 6 false peaks on our way to Saddleback. So we nicknamed the mountain "the never-ending mountain". When we reached the summit of Saddleback we had a lunch of bagels, blocks of cheese, and pepperoni. Also the view from Saddleback was worth the whole hike. Then we moved on to the horn and after that we reached Saddleback Jr. It was one of the hardest climbs because we were so tired from the last two mountains. Then we hiked a couple more miles, which were all downhill to Orbeton Stream. That night we had an awesome meal of rice and beans. Since we were so tired, we hit the hay early. On the third day we woke up around 6 again and ate some bagels for breakfast. Then we set out on our hike in hopes of reaching Sugarloaf. After a couple miles we started to climb lone mountain, but at the summit we were disappointed because there was no good view. Then we hiked down to the Spaulding Mountain campsite. There we took a break for lunch and filled up our water bottles. Then we started to hike Spaulding Mountain, it was a long exhausting hike up the mountain but we successfully reached the top. After that we decided we were ready for Sugarloaf. We began hiking again and started to climb up the mountain. When we reached the top it felt like our bags were as light as a feather. Also at the top the view was so beautiful we nearly CRIED!

We spent the night in the Sugarshack and had an excellent meal of rice mixed with cheese and pepperoni. That night we also saw a beautiful sunset that lit up the sky. The last day we ate pancakes and began our hike down the ski trail down Sugarloaf. When we reached the bottom we got picked up by Dave Jenkins and headed back to camp. A good time was definitely had by all.

-Wataru Yonehara and Will Weeks

"I get to go to lots of overseas places, like Canada."
Louisiana native Britney Spears on some of the advantages fame has to offer

PLAY ITALIAN

LIFELINES

ABSOLUTE POWER

Come dance with me...

Arcadia Garden Party

It was a Friday Afternoon when our counselors told us we had showers. When we were finished we rushed through supper and then Mike Mattson announced we would be going to Camp Arcadia for their annual Garden Party. When we got there there was a group of girls (Pearson's sisters) that gave us a short tour. After the tour we got to the dancing. The music was good. It was an awesome dance and a definite good time was had by all.



Mixed Doubles with Arcadia

One fine afternoon we stopped by Camp Arcadia to play some mixed doubles with the ladies. When we got on the courts we started to warm up a little and then we were ready to be paired up. We started playing doubles with the ladies and won a couple and lost a couple. Sebby Weeks won all of his matches and got a prize (sort of..) We all had an awesome time at Arcadia. We swam a little bit and stayed for dinner and they gave them all Birch Rock cheers as we departed. And of course a good time was had by all.



Seven-Weeker Trip

The 7 weekers were very lucky to be able to go on this exciting trip. It was very fun and enjoyable. We started the day off by going to the Big Adventure Center. There we played a vigorous game of Laser Tag. We all worked up a good sweat running away from Thomas so most of us went over to the new water slides, where we cooled down. After we were through with that we played a reckless game of miniature golf. We all realized we were hungry so we left for the Penley's winter house. There we ate some delicious pizza and drank some refreshing soda. We then went to an Ice Cream store for dessert. It was wonderful. Then we went back to the Penley's to watch part of Wayne's World or Aladdin. To finish off the day we went to a thrilling fireworks show. When we arrived back to BRC we were all exhausted and we all fell right asleep. It was a great trip and a good time was had by all.

-Andrew Clemence-



BRC Visit to Runoia

The excitement was mounting as the upper campers loaded into the vans prepared for a long day of picking up trash on the side of the road. (That's what the counselors told us we were doing, but were smarter than they think we are.) So we drove, and drove and drove and drove until we thought the tires would fall off. Finally we reached our beloved sister camp of Runoia. While at Runoia we enjoyed the pleasant company of all the girls. We played names games, had lunch and spent the afternoon at there waterfront. All and all we had a great time and of course we acted like total gentlemen. Till next time have a nice summer girls.

-ANONYMOUS



A Master Plan

Runoia comes to Birch Rock

**BIG
SHOT**

We were informed early in the morning that Camp Runoia was coming to play with us at the Rock. So Upper camp changed into birch rock uniforms and waited anxiously for the girls to arrive. When they arrived we greeted them like gentlemen. After they got changed we went up to the hill to play name games. After name games we took them for a tour of Birch Rock and they loved it. Then we "mingled" and talked for awhile before lunch. During lunch they kept commenting on Randy's exceptional cooking. After lunch we all went swimming. We were paired up with girls and sent in the cradles. After we swam for a little while it was time to say goodbye. A good time was had by all.

**NOT ONLY DO YOU GUYS
WEAR THE SAME OUTFITS**

*** ELEGANCE**

**MAN OF THE
MOMENT**

Long Lasting Fresh Breath
It Looks Good on You

LIVE LIKE A KING™

Camp Wigwam Kickball

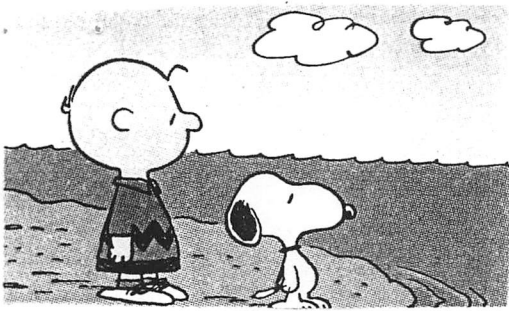
On Tuesday morning, cabins 1, 2, and 3 took a trip to Camp Wigwam to play a game of kickball. When we arrived, we had a quick warm-up and then started playing. At the end of the first inning Wigwam was winning 3 to 2; the rest of the game went pretty good. After the end of the sixth inning, the score was 9 to 5 with Wigwam winning. Birch Rock had one more time at bat. We scored one run in the seventh inning; and ended the game with the tying run at the plate. Despite the loss, everyone came home happy.



Play hard.

**ABSOLUTE
POWER**

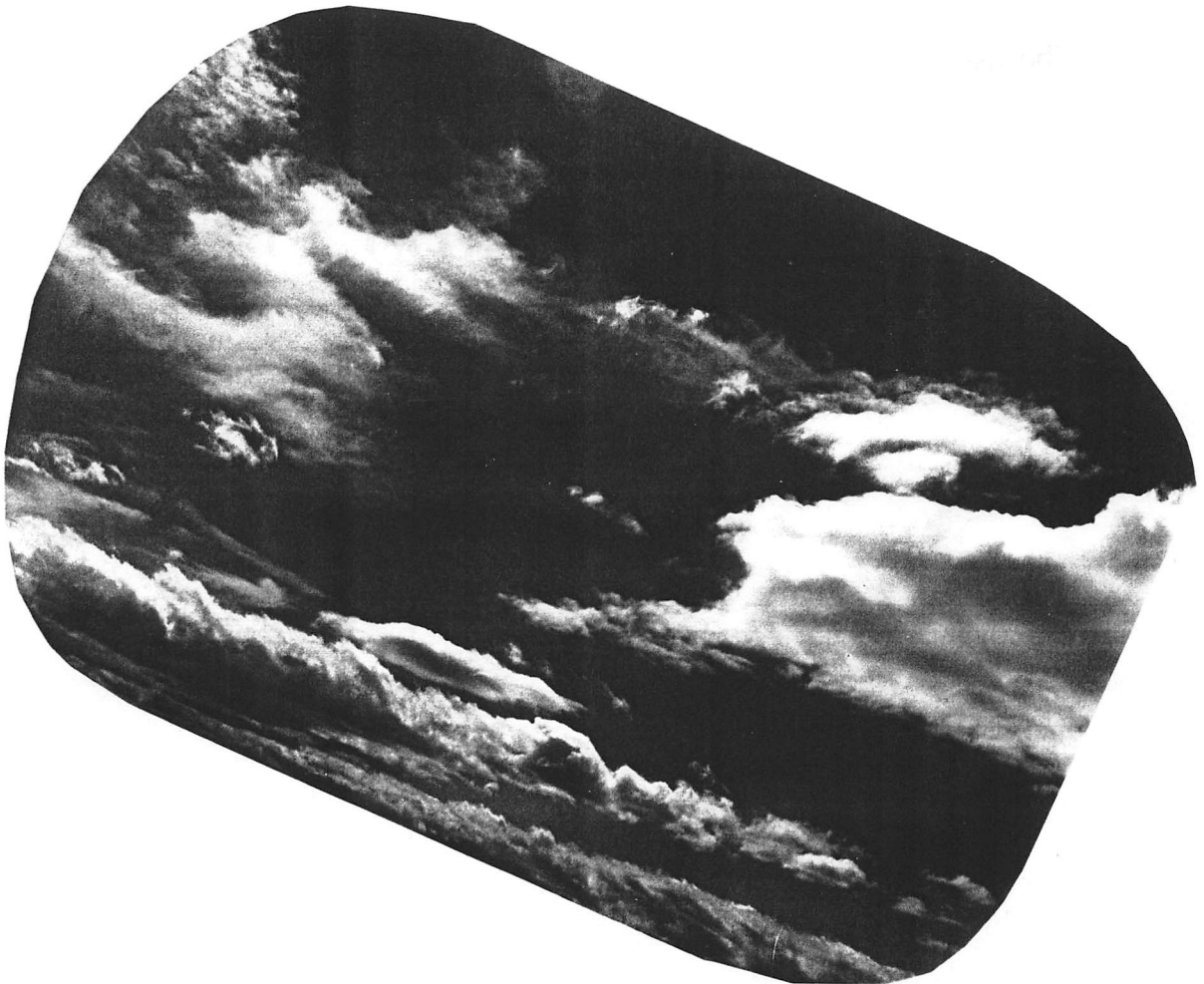
**THE
BEST**



Beach Day

We woke up in the morning listening to "Beach Boys" and playing frisbee. Guess what!!!! It's beach day!!! Two school buses picked us up on the field and headed to Scarborough Beach. We arrived there around 11:00 and as soon as we got to the beach, we all lined up in a line and jumped into freezing salty water which is not like waters like Lake McWain. We all enjoyed playing game such as ultimate Frisbee, volleyball, football, and various kinds of games. At lunch we had peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, an apple, and homemade cookies. After lunch we played two-hand touch football in the shallow waters of the bay. Soon afterwards we had to pack up and leave so we all washed off in the bay and got back on the buses. On our way back from beach day the upper camp bus broke down so Pete's Palace and a couple members from Owl's Perch had to stay behind with some staff and wait for another bus to pick us up. We all got back safe and sound and a good time was had by all.

- Wataru and Dave



CAMPFIRE SONG

What fire is this that plays the stage?
In Birch Rock lodge is traipsing
With campers prancing
And counselors dancing
It is no night for sleeping

Chorus:

This, is campfire
Which counselors guard and campers sing
Haste, haste, complete your skits
For time, she is fleeting

Oh gracious muse, we call on thee;
Inspire a night of frivolity
Shun all the misfits and praise the good skits
Discard all cares and party!

-Chorus-

OLD FLAME



Bequeaths

Campers

Galen Arnold- a current pool
David Barrette- Pads
Joe Baxter- More Clothes that say MDI
Pat Bowden- a photo shoot for Crest
Andrew Bowden- two working legs
Aidan Bozzelli- a flock of seagulls
Ben Brewster - Band-Aids
Jack Brink- electric foot warmers
Grant Carlson- a megaphone
Jimmi Carney- presence
Matt Carson- Energy
Tom Carson- a skateboard
Brad Carter- waves
Wyatt Cartwright- gymnastics lessons
Kyle Case- a week at family camp
Drew Cash- a hammer
Andy Churchill- a barrel of Monkeys
Anthony Clark- Seconds
Sam Cleaves- the Boston Red Sox
Andrew Clemence- Joe Rood
Matt Clifford- Lv. 20 Jedi Counselor
Chris Cogswell- Hill sprints
Ed Cohen- another walking stick
Jake Cohen- a pitchfork
Joe Cohen- More time with Rhyno
Tiger Collins- Lions and Bears
Jack Coster- 3 ½ more weeks
Austin Cox- Wooden Shoes
Ryan Cox- Dutch lessons
Ted Cunningham- 20 miles of technical uphill
Cole Davis- 1 more week
Thibault De Fonscolombe- a pronouncable name
Sam Deeran- Mary Bruin
Robert Donahue- three tiny rocks
Ian Egbert- more time at Runoia
Willie Feuerman- an afropik
John Finegan- a golden ticket
Eli Fitch- charcoal
Anderson Flach "Choose your Attitude!!"
Jared Fleicher- Socks
Tom Foorman- a role in a comic book
Eli Gabrielson- sleep overs

Jon Gieger- Correct Distances
Charlie Governali- swim lanes
Nick Gregoire- a date with the Frisbee girl
Sether Hanson- a full summer
Michael Harper- a puppy
Julio Heinsen- Mike down by the schoolyard
Javier Heinsen- the Midnight Phantom
Fax Herbert- Troy
Nat Hewett- a ball
Arthur Hockmuth- a white sweatshirt
Ben Howard- an apple
Jake Huston- Pearson
Pat Huycke- another lung
Pearson Jenks- nothing
Nate Judge- wings
Ramasey Kamal- hiking boots
David Kane- a racecar
Jeremy Kazanjian-Amory- a dictatorship of a state from the former USSR
Owen Knights- a purple flower
Andrew Koines- a coup
Mike Koniares- a staff shirt
Will Kroner- a couch
Artem Kutikov- a turn-table
Devo Leonard- the Big Kahuna
Dan Letovsky- a red badge of courage
Scott Loren- a mountain
Pierce Madden- a stage
Troy Madden- Fax
Nick Martin- a scholar ship to Duke
Chelton Martin- his own nurse
Chris McElroen- a pony tail
Ryan McElroen- a Bic razor
Alex McFarlane- webbed-toes
Ryan McGroarty- 14 more miles
Moose McMahon- Center of Gravity
Jordan Merchant- Ginseng
Jake Merchant- Bunny Slippers
Nate Mitchell – wood glue
Adam Moyer- a Cape cape
JD Moyer- a fish
Nick Musciano- a Void
Chris Neilson- a degree in rocket science
Peter Neilson- a hovercraft
Charles Netzer- the full wet-suit
Harry Netzer- a fellow mumpa-lump
Chris Norton- Mike Sacco

David Olshan- a new question word
Chris Ortengren- gills
Sean O'Toole- a quiet moment
Silas Peckham-Paul- a rocket pack
Roger Pellerano- Pam Stock
Chris Rios- Hilton B
Nick Rios- a bottle of hair dye
Joe Rood- long shoelaces
William Rounds- a flashlight
Henry Rounds- another archery badge
Cole Schlecht- mini-squirt fan
Ross Schlecht- a hacky-sack
Henry Schmid- endorphins
Ben Schreiber- a Shasta Root Beer
Alex Sebelen- salad
Charlie Silverstein- Seven Sons
Alex Stock- a superman shirt
Alasdair Thornton- W.H.A.M.
Francios Thuriot- a revolution
Bowen Tretheway- a British Accent
Robert David Weeks- C3PO
Sebby Weeks- Judy Garland's Fashion sense
Will Weeks- Glass
Ben Weisman- an Olympic 10m Platform diving gold medal
Tom Winger- a lightning bolt Shaped scar
Mark Winkler- Plunger Boy
Wataru Yonehara- 2000 and 2001
Joel Zayac- Strawberry Shortcake

CITS

Sam Hewett- a nap
Cheeser Chase- A gift certificate to the Portland International Jetport
Tom Crowley- a tail
Ben Young- Robert Redford
David O'Toole- seven weeks in the woods
Brandon LeBaron- self-defense lessons
Philipp Kinderbacher- the winning team
Keith Arnold- a wrestling mat

Staff

Colin Penley- Another sail bag
Trevor Dakers- a telescope
Mike Nordblom- a gray cloak
Owen Wolfertz- a job at Prada
Mike Wilson- Health and a record deal
Josh Pincus- the Foreside
Erik Joelsson- a kitchen sink
Carl Finnson- 36 holes
Weaz Sutherland- the loop
Matt Downs- A hand towel
Lenza Latendresse- a business card for DJ Lenzdawg
Marko Jarc- A Start Sailing Right! Book
Ziggy Nesher- a full camp session
John Wargo- an Odyssey
Doug Miller- a BMW
Ryhno Massey- a louder match box
Mike Mattson- a job for the Muppets
Dave Jenkins- More time with campers
Thomas Joyce- A country
Matt Sutherland- his own satellite
Orin Dodge- Spalding Cove
Pam Stock- more ESL students
Don Munn- a new spaceship
Janice Walker- A land grant
Randy Bowden- A video security system
Diane Brainard- a coop of Chickens
The Health Staff- Continuity
Tom Clemence- a day of insolence
Laurie Carson- a Taser

We Remember So Well....

Opening Day... new games... new faces... Where are Juan and Allen?... "Somebody in this room is going to be President"... resurfaced tennis court... new sailboats... where is the other sail bag?... Hey Mike or David... Introductions at the Rock... "Hello, my name is John, but my friends at Birch Rock call me Ulysses"... the wazi ski boat... "Good morning Birch Rock Camp"... boating adventures during snack... Cole the snack god... group stretches on the field... 4th of July Parade... Spare ribs and banana splits... fireworks from the waterfront... Cross-Camp Capture the flag... long distance swims... Little League Champions and All-Stars... The long-stick lacrosse players... Poison Ivy... rest periods on Thomas' hammock... wet-suits on the waterfront... so your sister goes to Dartmouth?... weren't you my teacher?... soccer at Winona... Basketball against Winona and we win!... Canoe races at Wigwam... The Arcadia Garden Party... Pearson's sisters... Tennis at Arcadia... Sebby, what happened to your hat?... Campfire... Rhyno Radio... A Whole New World... Mix Master Weaz and DJ Lenzdawg... The quest for the talisman... Lord of the Pies... "Turn it up a notch"... The Journey of the Silver Fish... Listen up all you Vader Haters... Artem's dream... Rhyno's mind control... Iron chef... Plunger boy... TP Man... Pete's Palace' greatest hits... Pearson and Matt Clifford should host SNL... The Harry Bagel... The coin in the funnel... "What are you looking for?"... This is Spaulding Cove... Field Olympics... Water Carnival... Capture the flag... Orb... Quarum... Speed Ball... Ultimate Frisbee... Smash... Trip to Runioa... Nice Beach... Tetherball... Ring Game... Horseshoes... Four-square... Rainy half days... My head is a little discombobulated... The gamest... Peanut Butter... Nice hair... little Chief... Gas boy... Cheeser... how old is your sister?... modem or copy machine or something like that... Gandolf... Slamming Sammy Seven Weeks... Moose... Devo... The Big Kahuna... Show me the money... Which one are you?... how is Nuts?... The CITs... all eight of them... MWA... Runioa visits Birch Rock... Rainy nights, sunny days... Chitty Chitty Bang Bang... Dances with wolves... Night at the Roxbury... Karate Kid... Orange county... October sky... emperor's new groove... A Bug's Life... Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory... Movie intermission... "Hey Boudreaux"... shaved heads... not much hair... Whales... Pearson... Galen... Will... Jon... Tree talk... warm fuzzies... goals... what makes Birch Rock Birch Rock?... Beach Day... the lacapodium hunt... lodge set-up... the banquet... awards ceremony... chip ceremony... good byes... see you next summer... and a good time was had by all!

STOP!



